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MS 1403
Liggett, William Collection
1921/1956 - 1966

DESCRIPTION

This small collection consists of personal papers of William Liggett Sr. from El Paso, TX. Two folders of newspaper clippings feature border activities during the 1916-1917 period at the time of the Mexican Revolution. One clipping contains biographical information on Liggett. The collection is noteworthy for the draft two hundred page manuscript written by Liggett consisting of a biographical essay on events and activities on the border over a period of 70 years. The manuscripts feature Southwestern locations such as Bisbee, Naco, and Cananea, Sonora Mexico.

2 Boxes, 1.25 linear ft.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

William Liggett was born Jan. 7, 1882 at the Vulture Mines near Wickenburg Arizona. Shortly after his family moved to Bisbee passing through Phoenix and Tombstone. Liggett and his father went into the transportation business at Naco, AZ They made regular trips between Naco Arizona and Cananea Sonora moving mail, passengers, and cargo between the locations. With the arrival of the railroad Liggett moved to Cananea and provided a baggage contract with the railroad. In 1906 he witnessed first hand the Cananea labor strike and the first rumblings of the Mexican Revolution.

ACQUISITION

Unknown

ACCESS

There are no restrictions on access to this collection.

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PROCESSING

The collection was processed by Dave Tackenberg in July 2010.

Box and Folder Listing

Box 1

Folder 1 William Liggett Sr. Bio Material

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| f.2 | Newspaper Clippings – Railroad Engine #1 & Interesting Individuals | 1960 |
| f.3 | Newspaper Clippings – Poncho Villa & Mexican Revolution | 1921/1956 – 1966 |
| f.4 | Correspondence | 1960 |
| f.5-8 | Manuscript: “My Seventy Years On The Mexican Border” | N.D. |

Box 2

Eight Photo Sheets from Broken Scrapbook

Photo Images of Southern Arizona

Newspaper Articles on Mexican Revolution

Newspaper Articles with Reference to Liggett